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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants respectfully bring the following documents cited in the Japanese Office Action and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record notes that the article of Katsumata, et al., "Test for Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium in Japanese Population", includes an English language abstract, the article entitled "The Strategy of SNP Gene Polymorphism" by Nakayama, Shoten Co., Ltd., pertains to single nucleotide polymorphism strategies for developing evidence-based drugs and personalized medicine, and the article of Hara, Motoyuki, "Genetic Management of Artificial Seeds Using Microsatellite DNA", pertains to the use of Microsatellite DNA to genetically manage artificial seeds in the agricultural, forestry and fisheries industries. No independent analysis of the reference relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which occurred not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

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